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REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending. Claims 1-8 are rejected. Claims 9 and 13 are objected to and claims 10-12 and 14 are allowed. The Action states that it is responsive to communications filed on 03 May 2004. For clarification, Applicant believes the last communication was filed on 26 Jan 2004.

Claim 13 is objected to as it depends on itself. Claim 13 is amended herein to depend on claim 11. The dependency of claim 14 is also corrected to depend on claim 12 instead of claim 10 as there is no antecedent basis for “the dichroic coating” in claim 10. It is believed that claims 13 and 14 are allowable.

Claims 1, 5 and 6 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Tiesler-Wittig. Claims 2 and 3 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tiesler-Wittig as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of Lekson et al. Claims 4, 7, and 8 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tiesler-Wittig as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of Mayshack et al.

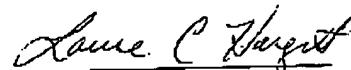
Claims 1-8 are cancelled herein.

Claim 9 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 9 is rewritten in independent form.

Applicant believes that the Application with claims 9-14 is allowable and respectfully requests proceeding to issuance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-0960.

Respectfully submitted,



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